10/604,626   SCHNEIDER

REMARKS

Applicant has canceled Claims 6-11 in order to withdraw by election of restriction.

I. Pro Se Applicant Request For Constructive Assistance

If for any reason the claims of this application are not believed to be in full condition for allowance, pro se applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner in drafting one or more acceptable claims pursuant to MPEP §707.07(j) in order that this application can be placed in allowable condition as soon as possible and without need for further proceedings.

II. Rejection of Claims 1-5 Under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and §103(a)

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable by Broadhurst (U.S. Patent 6,560,634). Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this rejection for at least the following reasons.

Applicant has canceled claims 1-11 and added claims 12-22 to clearly overcome Broadhurst and all prior art. Broadhurst teaching is limited to the field of domain name availability searching. Another limitation of Broadhurst is that it remains the *burden of a user to initiate a domain name availability search request*. Broadhurst discloses an improved query server that searches for existing domain name records in various domains and then displays the results in a formatted manner, thus eliminating the need for a user to perform individual searches. *No where does Broadhurst teach or suggest performing domain name availability searching concurrent with and/or in response to performing of request types other than a registration or availability request.*

Examiner proposes regarding Claim 3 that owner of a domain name would be naturally concerned about expiration of domain name and it would be obvious to avoid undesired expiration by tracking expiration date. However, Examiner suggests a desire or need of a domain name owner to monitor expiration but shows no art that teaches a solution to this problem leaving the domain name owner left to one's own device to attempt to periodically initiate requests to monitor and track status.

Independent Claims 12 and 19

Applicant is distinct from Broadhurst and other prior art in many ways. The first step of Claims 12, and 19 include processing a request having a resource identifier which is specifically not available for registration. Because the identifier is not available for registration *there is no need to consider*

10/604,626   SCHNEIDER

Broadhurst because it becomes moot to search for availability of an identifier known to be unavailable for registration.

Past Applicant inventions (U.S. Patent 6,338,082 and continuation U.S. Patent 6,678,717) have focused on conditions of performing additional requests in response to failing to process a given first request. However present invention of Applicant instead teaches generating and performing a different kind of <u>additional request concurrently when successfully processing a given first request</u>.

For instance Claim 12 *teaches* providing a user with an interface to perform a resource identifier aftermarket request and display aftermarket status of the resource identifier in response to an independent request and performing the request independent of providing the interface where the domain name is specifically not available for registration.

Claim 19 though similar to 12 further teaches automatically learning that an identifier is still available for back-order while the identifier is being processed for a different purpose. Applicant further teaches enabling a user to be notified of an identifier that is at one-time but no longer back-ordered for registration.

Independent claims teach how additional benefit and use can be gained while processing input requests when combined with Applicants earlier teachings. For instance, Applicant has introduced pre-registering or back-ordering identifiers and identifier expiration monitoring in U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/440,606 filed November 15, 1999, by Schneider and U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/598,134 filed June 21, 2000, by Schneider which both "show that domain names which are soon to be available may be distributed in advance to a user so that domain names of interest may be selected and reserved in a preordering queue on either the client or server side." (see paragraph 19 of present application).

III.   Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

Applicant has carefully reviewed the references cited but not applied. Applicant respectfully submits that none of those references, alone or in any combination, remedy the deficiencies of the applied art, nor teach or suggest the claimed invention alone or in any combination.

10/604,626   SCHNEIDER

IV.   Conclusion

For all of the above reasons, the present application and pending claims 12-22, as amended, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to issue a formal Notice of Allowance directed to claims 12-22, inclusive.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

December 1, 2005

Eric Schneider

pro se Applicant

1730 South Federal Hwy #104

Delray Beach, FL 33483

(561) 542-7541 - telephone